25X1A **№**25X1 CLASSIFICATION Approved For Refease 2000/03/44/GENGERSGES200457R00146608001000 INFORMATION A PORT CONFIDENTIAL COUNTRY Germany (Russian Zone) DATE DISTR. 26 March 1948 Agriculture in Mecklenburg SUBJECT NO. OF PAGES 25X1 PLACE NO. OF ENCLS. ACQUIRED 25X1 DATE OF SUPPLEMENT TO REPORT NO. THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS INFORMATION AFFECTING THE NATIONAL DEFENSE OF THE UNITED STATES WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE ESPIGNAGE ACT SO U. S. C. 31 AND 32. AS AMERICAD. ITS TRANSMISSION OR THE REVELATION OF ITS CONTENTS IN ANY MANNER TO AN UNAUTHORIZED PERSON IS PRO-HUSTED OF LAW. REPRODUCTION OF AIMS FORM ST PROMISIED, MOW-HUSTED OF LAW. REPRODUCTION OF AIMS FORM ST PROMISIED, MOW-MAY OFFERD WICKESSARY BY THE RECEIVING ACENCY. THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION FOR THE RESEARCH USE OF TRAINED INTELLIGENCE ANALYSTS 25X1 At the end of February 1948, representatives of SMA Mecklenburg, the Mecklenburg Ministry of Agriculture, and the Mecklenburg political parties met to discuss the agricultural situation in Mecklenburg. The following points were brought out in the conference: 2. The total agricultural yield in Mecklenburg in 1947 was only about half its peace-time total. Only 1.2 zentners of seed per hectare were available, although the requirement is two zentners per hectare. The lack of seeds is attributed, among other reasons, to the fact that 125,000 tons of wheat are considered "freie Spitzen" (excess amounts not subject to ration ing) of agricultural enterprises which had fulfilled their delivery quotas. An attempt was to be made to obtain addi-tional seed from Thuringia and Saxony, and Mecklenburg was to aid Thuringia in delivering the seed. The Ministry of Agriculture applied for 3550 tons of diesel oil fuel for agricultural equipment. Mecklenburg SMA not only granted the request but increased the allowance to 5400 tons 25X1 potassium produced in Anhalt is to be used for manufacture of fertilizer for agricultural purposes in Mecklenburg and elsewhere. 5. It is feared that, because 46,000 peasants have neither animals nor machines for agriculture, planting or seeding may be reduced twenty-five percent. In order to overcome the animal shortage, machine pools (Maschinenhöfe or MTS -- machine-tractor stations) are to be established quickly. Approximately three machine pools, each covering an area of about fifteen kilometers radius, are to operate in a county. CLASSIFICATION CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF THE STATE # X NAVY X NSRB DISTRIBUTION NO CHANGE in Cla This document is hereby regraded to CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with the DE tetter of 16 October 1978 from the Director of Central Intelligence to the Archivist of the United States. 25X1<sub>Auth</sub>: ₱₽82-₱**₽₫5₹₽₽₽₫4**0**₽₫₽₽₽₽** ed For Release Date: